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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

TREFIL ET AL.

Examiner

Cristina Owen Sherr

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 December 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 1-18 and 21-27 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 19 and 20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This communication is in response to the applicant's Amendment filed December 27, 2005. Claim 19 has been amended. Claims 1-18 and 21-27 have been canceled. Claims 19 and 20 are pending in this case.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 19 and 20 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 19-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kaufman (US 6,178,508) in view of Blandford (US 6,470,449).

5. Regarding claim 19 –

Kaufman discloses a method for authentication of a user of a hand-held data processing device, comprising: creating a list of check values on a computer, each said check value in said list corresponding to a character string representing an authorized user (e.g. col 2 ln 28-31); transferring said list of cyclic redundancy check values to said hand-held data processing device (e.g. col 2 ln 30-32); inputting a user identification character string into said hand-held data processing device (e.g. col 3 ln 10-20); and determining

if said value for said user identification character string represents an authorized character string with said hand-held data processing device (e.g. col 2 ln 25-50).

6. Kaufman, does not disclose, but Blandford does, calculating a cyclic redundancy check value for said user identification character string with said hand-held processing device; comparing said cyclic redundancy check value for said user identification character string to said list of cyclic redundancy check values with said hand-held data processing device (e.g. col 1 ln 65 – col 2 ln 10).

7. It would be obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teachings of Kaufman and Blandford, since they are both in the area of the encryption arts and in order to obtain greater security in data management.

8. Regarding claim 20 –

Kaufman discloses the method of claim 19, further comprising sorting and storing said list of list of cyclic redundancy check values (e.g. col 2 ln 25-50).

9. Examiner's note: Examiner has cited particular columns and line numbers in the references as applied to the claims above for the convenience of the applicant. Although the specified citations are representative of the teachings in the art and are applied to the specific limitations within the individual claim, other passages and figures may be applied as well. It is respectfully requested from the applicant, in preparing the responses, to fully consider the references in entirety as potentially teaching all or part of the claimed invention as well as the context of the passage as taught by the prior art or disclosed by the examiner.

Conclusion

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10. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.
11. Von (US 4,849,927) discloses a method of controlling the operation of security modules.
12. Moussa et al (US 6,035,406) discloses a plurality-factor security system.
13. Tran et al (US 6,157,935) discloses a remote data access and management system.
14. Tran (US 6,202,060) discloses a data management system.
15. Renaud (US 6,021,491) discloses digital signatures for data streams and data archives.

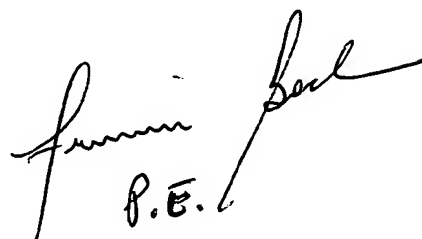
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cristina Owen Sherr whose telephone number is 571-272-6711. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-5:00 Monday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Trammell can be reached on 571-272-6712. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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